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S. RES. 166

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

NOVEMBER 16 (legislative day, NOVEMBER 2), 1993

Mr. BROWN submitted the following resolution; which was referred in the Committee on the Judiciary

RESOLUTION

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1 *Resolved,*

1 **SECTION 1. SENSE OF THE SENATE THAT ABLE-BODIED**
2 **CONVICTED FELONS IN THE FEDERAL PRIS-**
3 **ON SYSTEM SHOULD WORK AND THAT THE**
4 **ATTORNEY GENERAL SHALL SUBMIT TO CON-**
5 **GRESS A REPORT DESCRIBING A STRATEGY**
6 **FOR EMPLOYING MORE FEDERAL PRISON IN-**
7 **MATES.**

8 (a) FINDINGS.—The Senate finds that—

9 (1) Federal Prison Industries was created by
10 Congress in 1934 as a wholly owned, nonprofit gov-
11 ernment corporation directed to train and employ
12 Federal prisoners;

13 (2) traditionally, one-half of the Federal prison
14 inmates had meaningful prison jobs; now, with the
15 increasing prison population, less than one-quarter
16 are employed in prison industry positions; and

17 (3) expansion the product lines and services of
18 Federal Prison Industries beyond its traditional lines
19 of business will enable more Federal prison inmates
20 to work, and such expansion must occur so as to
21 minimize any adverse impact on the private sector
22 and labor.

23 (b) SENSE OF SENATE.—It is the sense of the
24 Senate that—

25 (1) all able-bodied Federal prison inmates
26 should work;

1 (2) in an effort to achieve the goal of full Fed-
2 eral prison inmate employment, the Attorney Gen-
3 eral, in consultation with the Director of the Bureau
4 of Prisons, the Secretary of Labor, the Secretary of
5 Defense, the Administrator of the General Services
6 Administration, and the private sector and labor,
7 shall submit a report to Congress not later than
8 March 31, 1994, that describes a strategy for em-
9 ploying more Federal prison inmates;

10 (3) the report shall—

11 (A) contain a review of existing lines of busi-
12 ness of Federal Prison Industries;

13 (B) consider the findings and recommenda-
14 tions of the final report of the Summit on Fed-
15 eral Prison Industries (June 1992–July 1993);
16 and

17 (C) make recommendations for legislation
18 and changes in existing law that may be nec-
19 essary for the Federal Prison Industries to em-
20 ploy more Federal prison inmates; and

21 (4) the report shall focus on—

22 (A) the creation of new job opportunities for
23 Federal prison inmates;

24 (B) the degree to which any expansion of
25 lines of business of Federal Prison Industries

1 may adversely affect the private sector or dis-
2 place domestic labor; and

3 (C) the degree to which opportunities for
4 partnership between Federal Prison Industries
5 and small business can be fostered.

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